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--This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/454,651, filed December 6, 1999, which is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 08/228,208, filed April 15, 1994, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,090,914, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/008,898, filed January 22, 1993, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,770,197, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 723,617, filed June 27, 1991, now abandoned, the contents of all of which are incorporated by reference in the present application.--

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 11-19 without prejudice.

REMARKS

This is the second Preliminary Amendment filed in this case. The first Preliminary Amendment was filed with the original application on September 27, 2000. The first Preliminary Amendment amended the specification of the application, added claims 38-42, and canceled claims 1-10 and 20-37.

By way of this amendment, applicants have further amended the priority claim of the application and have canceled claims 11-19. Accordingly, claims 38-42 are pending.

Applicants maintain that this amendment does not raise an issue of new matter (In re Fouche, 486 F2d 575) and accordingly request that the amendment be entered.

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No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Amendment. If any fee is necessary, the Patent Office is authorized to charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0306.

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